“(d) (1) For the purpose of computing pay of officers and members of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia for the pay period July 1 to July 11, 1953, inclusive, any day off taken by any such officer or member during the period July 1 to July 4, 1953, inclusive, shall be considered as a workday if such officer or member worked or was otherwise in a pay status for an equivalent day in the period June 28 to June 30, 1953, inclusive: Provided, That any such day off falling on July 4, 1953, shall not entitle any such officer or member to additional holiday compensation for that day.

“(2) For the purpose of this subsection the term ‘day off’ means any of the days off duty in each seven-day period to which each officer and member of such Fire Department is entitled pursuant to section 2 of the Act approved June 19, 1948 (62 Stat. 498) but such term does not include any ‘platoon change day off’, as such term is used in such Fire Department.”

Approved July 20, 1953.

Public Law 140

AN ACT

To provide for an additional Assistant Postmaster General in the Post Office Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be in the Post Office Department an additional Assistant Postmaster General, who shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall perform such duties as the Postmaster General may designate, and shall receive compensation at the rate of $15,000 per annum or at such other rate as may hereafter be provided by law for Assistant Postmasters General.

Approved July 20, 1953.

Public Law 141

AN ACT

To authorize films, and related material, for educational use to be transmitted through the mails at the rate provided for books.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 204 (d) of the Postal Rate Revision and Federal Employees Salary Act of 1948 (39 U. S. C., sec. 292a (d)) is amended by inserting “(1)” after “(d)” and by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(2) The rate provided in paragraph (1) for books may apply to sixteen-millimeter films and sixteen-millimeter film catalogs when sent through the mails except when sent to commercial theaters.”

Sec. 2. Section 204 (e) of the Postal Rate Revision and Federal Employees Salary Act of 1948 (39 U. S. C., sec. 292a (e)) is amended by inserting “(1)” after “(e)” and by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(2) The rate provided in paragraph (1) for books may apply to sixteen-millimeter films, filmstrips, projected transparencies and slides, microfilms, sound recordings, and catalogs of such materials when sent to or from (A) schools, colleges, universities, or public libraries, and (B) religious, educational, scientific, philanthropic,
agricultural, labor, veterans', or fraternal organizations or associations, not organized for profit and none of the net income of which inures to the benefit of any private stockholder or individual."

Approved July 20, 1953.

Public Law 142

JOINT RESOLUTION

CHAPTER 234

To provide for the reappointment of Robert V. Fleming as citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress, which will occur by the expiration of the term of Robert V. Fleming, of Washington, District of Columbia, on July 26, 1953, be filled by the reappointment of the present incumbent for the statutory term of six years.

Approved July 23, 1953.

Public Law 143

JOINT RESOLUTION

CHAPTER 235

To provide for the appointment of Owen Josephus Roberts as a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress, caused by the death of Roland S. Morris, be filled by the appointment of Owen Josephus Roberts, a citizen of the State of Pennsylvania, for the statutory term of six years.

Approved July 23, 1953.

Public Law 144

AN ACT

CHAPTER 236

To authorize the exchange of lands acquired by the United States for Prince William Forest Park, Prince William County, Virginia, for the purpose of consolidating Federal holdings therein, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, for the purposes of consolidating Federal holdings of lands acquired for the Prince William Forest Park, Prince William County, Virginia, is hereby empowered, in his discretion, to obtain for the United States land and interests in lands held in private ownership within the established watersheds and boundaries of said park by accepting from the owners of such privately owned land complete relinquishment thereof, and the Secretary may grant to such owners in exchange therefor, in each instance, federally owned lands of approximately equal value, now a part of the Prince William Forest Park, that he considers are not essential for the administration, control, and operation of the aforesaid park. Any land acquired by the United States pursuant to this authorization shall become a part of Prince William Forest Park upon the vesting of title thereto in the United States, and shall be subject to the laws applicable thereto.